

Ground a major heritage tourism destination, the African Burial Ground Monument Foundation was founded by Edward Lewis, Chairman and Founder of Essence Communications, Inc.; Dr. James Forbes, former Senior Minister of Riverside Church; and Howard Dodson, Schomburg Chief. The Foundation aims to raise funds and generate global outreach for the African Burial Ground National Monument.

October's Dedication Ceremony will be the Foundation's first task. A second slavery-related project undertaken by the Schomburg Center focused on a New York State legislative initiative, which established a New York State Freedom Trail Commission to document and interpret the state's Underground Railroad history. The Schomburg Center was contracted to research and write the Commission's background document and action agenda. Historic sites, personalities, and events related to slavery in New York have been documented and selected historic properties are being restored. A historic marker program is being planned to identify significant Freedom Trail sites, events, and personalities throughout the state, the ultimate goal of which is to organize educational programs and heritage tourism activities throughout the state. The Center has also drafted a Freedom Trail Curriculum which has been mandated to be incorporated into the State's K-12 curriculum. This year, Great Britain marked its Bicentennial of the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade with a series of events and in 2008 the United States will recall its own.

To coincide with these two important milestones, the United Nations organized a special month long exhibition of *Lest We Forget* in March 2007, to observe the International Day for the Commemoration of the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade; and the Amistad America's Freedom Schooler Amistad began its yearlong Atlantic Freedom Tour sojourn in June retracing the slave route. As part of its continuous involvement and interpretation of slavery, the Schomburg Center is a member of the planning committee for the 2008 U.S. commemoration. The Schomburg Center has continued to build its collections of primary and secondary source materials on slavery, the slave trade, and the African Diaspora. Slavery-related topics have been a regular part of the Center's annual program agenda.

Finally, the Center and these initiatives have been catalysts for additional programs by other organizations. Americans in general and African Americans in particular are still wary of remembering slavery and the slave trade as a fundamental part of America's national heritage. But the contributions of those who were enslaved to building this country should not be forgotten. The educational content of the initiatives described herein have contributed in meaningful ways to opening dialogues on these subjects. While there is still a lot of work to be done, the strategies for action described herein have worked and are working to break the silence.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California. Unfortunately, I was unable to be present in the Capitol on Monday, October 15, 2007, and was unable to cast votes on the House floor that evening.

However, had I been present I would have voted "aye" on H. Res. 738, condemning the

campaign of murder, terror and intimidation aimed at overthrowing the democratically elected Government of Lebanon; "aye" on H.R. 2089, a bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service in New Orleans, LA as the "Louisiana Armed Services Veterans Post Office"; and "aye" on H.R. 20, the Melanie Blocker-Stokes Postpartum Depression Research and Care Act.

TRIBUTE TO JANE MALONEY

HON. JIM SAXTON

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Mr. SAXTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my good friend, Jane Maloney, the 2007 recipient of the Hope Award. This great honor, awarded annually by the Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey, recognizes a member of the community who has demonstrated outstanding dedication to the area's senior population. I am so pleased that this year's honor is bestowed upon Jane.

Jane has served as the director of the Ocean County Office of Senior Services since 2004, and was formerly the assistant to the director for 15 years. During this time, Jane has been a dedicated, tireless advocate for the seniors of Ocean County, NJ. She was one of 58 Americans to serve on the National Advisory Committee for the 1981 White House Conference on Aging, and was also a delegate to the 1995 and 2005 White House Conferences on Aging. Additionally, Jane is an active member of the New Jersey Association of Area Agencies on Aging, as well as other committees with common goals of improving the quality of life for older adults, and has been a long-time supporter of the Interfaith Volunteer Caregiver Initiative.

Jane and I have had the pleasure of working together over the past two decades on a variety of issues of importance to the seniors of Ocean County. Throughout this time, we have collaborated on many important initiatives, and it is always with great interest and appreciation that I learn of the valuable work she is doing.

These details are just a few of the reasons Jane Maloney is a deserving recipient of the 2007 Hope Award. I wholeheartedly congratulate her on this great honor, and look forward to our continued work together on behalf of Ocean County's senior population.

ENDING WORLD BANK DISBURSEMENTS TO IRAN

HON. MARK STEVEN KIRK

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Mr. KIRK. Madam Speaker, both the U.N. Security Council and the International Atomic Energy Agency, IAEA, found that Iran is in breach of its obligations under the U.N. Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. The IAEA reported that Iran ignored the Security Council's deadline to stop enriching uranium and expanded its nuclear program.

As Iran's Atomic Energy Organization moves towards its announced goal of oper-

ating 50,000 uranium enrichment centrifuges in Natanz, the World Bank is funding nine government projects in Iran totaling \$1.355 billion—one of which operates in Isfahan, the headquarters of Iran's nuclear program.

The United States remains as the top investor in the World Bank, contributing \$950 million in 2006 and \$940 million in 2007. The House of Representatives approved another \$950 million contribution while the Senate approved more than \$1 billion. Meanwhile, the bank disbursed \$220 million to Iran in fiscal year 2007, with more than \$870 million remaining in the pipeline for fiscal years 2008, 2009 and 2010.

To date, the World Bank's board has taken no action to end these disbursements—which it could by demanding a policy review and then voting to stop credit transfers. Furthermore, the U.N. Security Council has given no explicit direction to the World Bank on this issue—which it could in its next resolution.

Therefore, as the World Bank prepares for its annual meetings this week in Washington, I am introducing a bipartisan resolution today calling on the bank's board of directors to end disbursements to Iran until the IAEA certifies Iran's compliance with U.N. Security Council Resolutions and the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. Should the board fail to act, we call on the U.N. Security Council to order the bank to suspend these disbursements.

As part of the United Nations family, the policies of the World Bank should be aligned with the policies of the U.N. Security Council. The United States and the World Bank should not subsidize Iran's economic development while its government enriches uranium in violation of U.N. Security Council resolutions.

I want to thank my dear friends and colleagues, Congressman STEVE ROTHMAN and Congressman ROB ANDREWS, for joining me in introducing this bipartisan resolution.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 104TH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE PAN-ICARIAN BROTHERHOOD

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker, whereas, the people of the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood celebrate the 104th National Convention with great pride; and

Whereas, the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood, "Icaros", is the oldest Hellenic organization in the western hemisphere; and

Whereas, they are known for fostering fraternal bonds, renewing acquaintances and annually gathering to conduct official business; and

Whereas, the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood is recognized for their hard work to preserve cultural traditions, educational scholarships, and charities; now, therefore, be it

Be it resolved that along with friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I commend the Pan-Icarian Brotherhood, "Icaros" for your unwavering commitment, recognizing that all great achievements are a result of dedication. With great appreciation and respect, I wish you continued success.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. K. MICHAEL CONAWAY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Mr. CONAWAY. Madam Speaker on rollcall Nos. 961, 962 and 963. My flight from Midland was cancelled and I did not arrive in D.C. until 1:15 a.m. on October 16, 2007. I left Midland at 4:30 p.m. on October 15, 2007. My original flight was scheduled to leave at 8:40 a.m. October 15, 2007.

Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ED PASTOR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Mr. PASTOR. Madam Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 961, 962, and 963, I missed voting due to an airline delay.

Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on all three.

HONORING DR. ADINA GALICH, M.D., FOR HER MANY YEARS OF SERVICE

HON. DANIEL LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Mr. LIPINSKI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a distinguished physician in my district, Dr. Adina Galich, M.D., who celebrated her 80th birthday this past summer. For 50 years, Dr. Galich has ably served the people of Berwyn and has been a true pioneer for female doctors throughout Illinois.

From an early age, Dr. Galich overcame great adversity. She grew up in Nazi-occupied Belgrade, where she remembers her family running through burning streets after their home was bombed. After her father's death, Dr. Galich took over the family real estate business at the age of 15, which was soon confiscated by the postwar communist Yugoslav Government.

In 1952, Dr. Galich graduated magna cum laude from medical school. Dr. Galich was finally able to obtain a visa and immigrate to the United States after the Yugoslav Government branded her and her family "class enemies." When she arrived in Chicago, she became the first woman at Chicago Mount Sinai Hospital to specialize in internal medicine, though only permitted to teach and not practice. Dr. Galich was the lone female physician in her 1956 class.

Throughout Dr. Galich's career, she has committed herself to treating those most in need. While training in internal medicine she also worked at the Chicago Board of Health's Infectious Diseases Department. Later, Dr. Galich was among a group of physicians who founded the Union Health Service, an organization created to provide health care to members of the Janitors' and Doormen's Union.

Dr. Galich continued to be a trailblazer for female physicians into the 1960s, when she

became the first female internist on the staff at MacNeal Hospital in Berwyn. Later, she became the first female physician to open a private practice in the city.

It is my honor today to commend Dr. Adina Galich, M.D., for her outstanding service to the Berwyn community for over half a century. Dr. Galich has triumphed over great adversity, challenged the perceptions of female physicians, and opened the doors for countless women to follow.

IN HONOR OF DR. DAVID REBOVICH

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, last week the State of New Jersey lost one of its great political analysts, Dr. David Rebovich. On Friday, October 12, 2007, Dr. Rebovich died from a heart attack while teaching a class. He was 58 years old.

Rebovich was an associate professor and managing director of the Rider Institute for New Jersey Politics. He received a bachelor's degree in political science from Johns Hopkins University, and a master's and doctorate degree from Rutgers University.

As one of Dr. Rebovich's former students, I can honestly say that he was a genuine and fair professor. He continually put his students before himself and was an admired political asset to the State of New Jersey. He will be missed.

My prayers and best wishes go out to the Rebovich family.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Mr. REICHERT. Madam Speaker, on October 9, 2007, and October 10, 2007, I missed rollcall votes because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner: "aye" on House Resolution 32, rollcall No. 949; "aye" on final passage of H.R. 400, the War Profiteering Prevention Act, rollcall No. 950; "nay" on rollcall No. 951; "nay" on rollcall No. 952; "nay" on rollcall No. 953; "nay" on rollcall No. 954; "aye" on rollcall No. 955; "nay" on rollcall No. 956; "aye" on rollcall No. 957; "aye" on final passage of H.R. 2895, the National Affordable Housing Trust Fund Act, rollcall No. 958; "aye" on rollcall No. 959; and "nay" on final passage of H.R. 3056, the Tax Collection Responsibility Act, rollcall No. 960.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS, ZANESVILLE CHAPTER

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker, whereas, the Zanesville Chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals celebrate the 60th anniversary with great joy; and

Whereas, this milestone is the result of what a hardworking people began in 1947; and

Whereas, occasions such as these illustrate to us that reliable and diligent employees will stand the test of time; and

Whereas, administrative professionals are recognized for their contributions to the workplace; be it

Resolved that along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate the International Association of Administrative Professionals, Zanesville Chapter, for their service and dedication.

25 BY '25 RESOLUTION

SPEECH OF

HON. JERRY MORAN

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, October 15, 2007

Mr. MORAN of Kansas. Madam Speaker, today the House of Representatives is considering an important piece of legislation. House Concurrent Resolution 25 expresses Congress's support for a goal that is an essential component in our attempt to achieve energy independence. That goal is to produce 25 percent of our Nation's energy needs from renewable resources by the year 2025. I support the goal enumerated in this concurrent resolution because it is not a blanket endorsement of any particular renewable. Instead, it is inclusive and accommodates all forms of renewable energy including all forms of biofuel and wind, solar, geothermal, and hydro energy.

In addition, House Concurrent Resolution 25 does not proclaim renewable resources are the sole solution to this United States energy crisis. Rather, it sets an ambitious, yet achievable goal for the renewable resources sector, while recognizing that in the next 20 years renewable resources will not be the only method necessary to meet our energy needs. The flexible, multifaceted nature of this concurrent resolution is the model for which this Nation should build its future energy policy.

The United States must look to alternative energy sources to meet our Nation's energy needs. In recent years, oil imports have soared. We now import approximately 60 percent of the oil used in this country. Some of these imports come from countries that have populations hostile to the United States and its citizens. The consequence of our reliance on imports of oil from volatile regions is that a portion of the money we spend to supply our energy needs may actually go to fund terrorist groups that wish to do us harm. Supplanting foreign oil imports with home-grown renewable